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SUBJ: SOLOMONS DRAFT CONSTITUTION

1. PRESS REPORTS FILED ON MARCH 3 IN HONIARA REPORT THAT
BRITISH SOLOMONS LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY HAS PASSED A DRAFT
CONSTITUTION AFTER THREE DAYS OF DEBATE. THIS DRAFT WILL
BE DISCUSSED IN UPCOMING INDEPENDENCE TALKS WITH BRITISH.

2. FOLLOWING IS SUMMARY OF PROVISIONS OF CONSTITUTION
AS REPORTED IN PRESS:

HEAD OF STATE-FOR FIRST YEAR FOLLOWING INDEPENDENCE,
QUEEN ELIZABETH II WILL SERVE AS HEAD OF STATE AND A SOLOMON
ISLANDS' CITIZEN WILL SERVE AS HER GOVERNOR GENERAL. SOLOMONS
TO AUTOMATICALLY BECOME A REPUBLIC AFTER ONE YEAR, UNLESS
MOVE IS BLOCKED BY TWO-THIRDS VOTE OF PARLIAMENT. IF SOLOMONS
BECOME REPUBLIC, THE THEN SITTING GOVERNOR GENERAL WILL BECOME
PRESIDENT.

COUNCIL OF MINISTERS-PARLIAMENT WILL ELECT PRIME MINISTER.
OTHER MEMBERS OF COUNCIL OF MINISTERS WILL BE APPOINTED BY
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HEAD OF STATE ACTING ON ADVICE OF PRIME MINISTER.

HEAD OF STATE WILL EXERCISE ALL EXECUTIVE POWERS, ACTING
ON ADVICE OF COUNCIL OF MINISTERS.

3. ASSESSMENT WILL FOLLOW SEPTTEL.
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